

Mackenzy

Date of Birth: July 11, 2001



Mackenzy is a friendly girl who has a sense of humor and enjoys spending time with children her age or older. She enjoys being active and likes swimming. She is learning how to ride a bike and likes watching television, especially *The Fosters*. Mackenzy attends an alternative school where she participates in academic classes, therapeutic groups and is learning vocational skills through working in the horse barn located at her school. She is kind hearted and feels supported when she is understood by the adults in her life. She has participated in treatment to address her past trauma and is demonstrating her abilities to advocate for her needs. She enjoys going on outings and spending one on one time with adults on these. She likes a lot of activities other girls her age like, such as wearing make-up, going out to eat and shopping. Mackenzy has a relationship with her biological sister and some of her relatives who she follows on social media and would like to talk more to them on the phone.

Mackenzy receives good grades in school. She has an IEP due to her diagnosis of Cerebral Palsy and she also struggles with reading and math. She has some physical limitations on her right side as a result of her Cerebral Palsy and follows up with doctors who monitor her needs. She has experienced significant abuse and neglect in her life, which requires close supervision of her interactions with other teenagers and younger children. She continues to work closely with her individual therapist to help work through the trauma that she has experienced. A family who may be interested in having Mackenzy placed in their home would be asked to participate in these services as well.

If you are interested in providing a permanent home for Mackenzy, please contact the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services, Foster Care and Adoption Hotline at (440) 350-4218.

